Non-Perm Fish Hatchery Specialist 1, Fish Program, Hatcheries, Goldendale Hatchery, Klickitat County

Opens: May 21, 2010.......Closes: May 27, 2010

There is currently one 12 month Non-Permanent Fish Hatchery Specialist 1 opportunity with the Fish Program, Region 5 Hatcheries, Goldendale Hatchery, Klickitat County

Position: Fish Hatchery Specialist 1

Duration: 12 months

Anticipated Start Date: ASAP

Salary: Range 30, \$2113.00 - \$2724.00 monthly

Location: Goldendale Hatchery, Region 5, Lewis/Washougal Complex, Klickitat County

DUTIES

The following job duties are expected of the FISH HATCHERY SPECIALIST 1 sited at Goldendale Hatchery.

The Washougal Complex rears Rainbow Trout, Tiger Trout and Brown Trout for Region 3 and 5 lakes.

Fish Culture; Feeds fish their calculated daily ration; monitors fish behavior, health, egg and fish production; calculates and administers drugs as prescribed; identifies, sorts, and samples species for spawning and adult distribution; cleans ponds and raceways, troughs, and incubator systems, identifies marked adults and collects tags/marks for bio sampling and records data; collects fish tissue and fluid samples; performs fish inventories, splits, marking trailer inventories, weight samples, releases and plants fish.

Recordkeeping and Reporting; Enters data into forms and spreadsheets (e.g. fish mortality, feed sheets, feed inventory, chemical usage); accurately fills out agency forms such as fish transfer tickets, hatchery invoice tickets, etc.

Operation and Maintenance of Facility; Monitors water flow and quality parameters; takes water samples and readings (e.g. dissolved gases, suspended settleable solids, and other parameters as required) maintains proper water flow and rearing environments; responds to alarms; monitors and maintains facility support systems; actively identifies safety hazards and takes action or recommends remedies as appropriate.

Operation and Maintenance of Equipment; Organizes and maintains hatchery tools, equipment, and grounds; identifies and communicates safety concerns (management to staff and staff to management), uses tools and equipment properly and safely.

Public Contact and Communications; Responds to/answers questions from visitors or outside entities in a polite professional manner.

COMPETENCIES:

Knowledge and skills: Computer software such as MS Excel, MS Word; fish culture terminology; calculation methods; and fish production protocols and policy.

Ability: Work cooperatively as a team; ask questions, listen and understand the answers of customer or constituent needs; physically help others in performing activities.

Note: A valid driver's license is required. Some positions require a valid Class A or Class B Commercial Drivers License. **Note**: Some positions require a valid Washington State Pesticide Applicator's License.

Preferred Fish Hatchery Specialist 1 Minimum Qualifications

Associate's degree in fisheries technology or closely allied field. <u>OR</u> Three years of education towards a Bachelor's degree in fisheries or closely allied field. <u>OR</u> Successful completion of a fish culture program from a vocational school.

Three years of experience performing a variety of fish culture duties in a hatchery will substitute for the required education.

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• All applicants considering applying for this position should understand and consider that standby is a requirement for all positions in the Fish Hatchery Specialist series. Management may determine it is necessary to assign it in order to

accomplish the goals and objectives of the agency and as necessary to protect the resources of the agency and if assigned, it will be a requirement of the position.

For this position, standby is currently assigned and on-site housing is available.

Special Note: This position is covered by a collective bargaining agreement between the State of Washington, Department of Fish and Wildlife, and the Washington Federation of State Employees (WFSE), which contains a "union security" provision. This means that, as a condition of employment you must either join the union and pay union dues, or pay the union a representational or other fee within 30 days of the date you are put into pay status.

How to apply:

If you are interested in applying for this position, please e-mail a resume and state application to Carole Rausch, Fish Hatchery Specialist 4 at Carole.Rausch@dfw.wa.gov by May 27, 2010.